

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The abstract of the disclosure is amended as follows:

An optical disc drive 1 ~~of the present invention~~ includes a spindle motor 11 for rotating the optical disc 2 and a spindle driver for driving the spindle motor 11 equipped with a rotation number ~~measuring means~~ counter 232 for measuring the rotation number of the spindle motor 11. A brake ~~means~~ for braking the spindle motor 11 to reduce the rotation number thereof, ~~which can~~ includes include at least three types of brake modes, and ~~a selecting means~~ selector for selecting one of the ~~at least three~~ types of brake modes in response to the rotation number measured by the rotation number ~~measuring means~~ counter 232 when the rotation number of the spindle motor 11 is to be reduced. The optical disc drive 1 may further ~~includes~~ include a judging ~~means~~ circuit for judging whether the rotation number of spindle motor 11 measured by the rotation number ~~measuring means~~ counter 232 reaches a predetermined target rotation number when the rotation of the optical disc 2 is to be stopped by the spindle motor 11. In this case, the application of the ~~braking means~~ brake is completed when ~~the judging means judges that~~ the rotation number of the spindle motor 11 reaches the predetermined target rotation number.